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Rebuilding Iraq

3rd ACR troopers train first civil defense corps

by Sgt. 1st Class Gary L. Qualls Jr.

3rd Armored Cavalry
Regiment

NAVEA TRAINING CENTER, Iraq – The first Iraq Civil Defense Corps class in Al Anbar Province graduated Oct. 22.

The graduates, who will guard oil refineries, water pipelines, power plants, schools, hospitals and airports, will also help protect something else in Iraq — the nation's future.

"We are happy to keep the security to our country, to our people and to our children," said ICDC Graduate Al Abdul Kalif Hamad.

The 2nd Battalion, 5th Field Artillery Regiment is directing the ICDC training. They are charged with training three battalions of ICDC guards by March 1. The ICDC trainees are taught soldier skills such as drill and ceremonies, guard procedures, identifying explosives, marksmanship, as well as human-rights training.

"The majority of the trainees do have a good atti-



Staff Sgt. Jeremie Yeoman helps an Iraq Civil Defense Corps trainee get in step during training at Navea Training Center.

Photo by Sgt. 1st Class Gary Qualls Jr.

tude and are enjoying the training," said Staff Sgt. Jeremie Yeoman, a drill instructor in Charlie Battery, 2nd Bn., 5th FA.

Many Iraqi trainees had the idea that Americans are not friendly when the training started, Yeoman said. On the

American side, some of the cadre underestimated the ability of the Iraqis to quickly grasp the skills they were being taught, he said.

Misconceptions quickly evaporated as the Iraqis learned their American mentors were friendlier than they

thought and the Americans were surprised at how willing their trainees were to learn and how quickly they picked up the information.

The cadre and the trainees seemed to genuinely enjoy

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3rd ACR honors its fallen troops

by Chief Warrant Officer J.M. Hurtado

3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment

In memory of some of its fallen troopers, the regiment of Mounted Riflemen has renamed its forward operating bases after them.

Since deploying to the desert in late March of this year, the 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment has lost to enemy or accident, 21 of its brave soldiers. Sixteen have come from the Fort Carson area and five have been from other units that have been, or still are, attached to the regiment.

Approved by Combined Joint Task Force-7, the command and control element that runs all operations in Iraq, and effective Oct. 16, six forward operating bases have taken new names. They are, with honor, labeled after the following troopers:

FOB Broomhead – Named after Sgt. Thomas F. Broomhead who was killed May 27 by enemy fire while conducting checkpoint operations.

FOB Byers – Named after Capt. Joshua T. Byers, commander of Fox Troop, 2nd Squadron, 3rd ACR. Byers was killed July 17 by an improvised explosive device during a convoy. Fort Carson has also renamed a street on the Mountain Post for Byers.

FOB Givens – Named after Pfc. Jesse A. Givens. Givens drowned May 1 when the tank in which was driving slid into a water-filled canal.

FOB Latham – Named for Staff Sgt. William T. Latham who died on June 18 of injuries sustained while conducting a raid on a suspected arms market in Fallujah, Iraq.

FOB Miller – Named after Staff Sgt. Frederick L. Miller who

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Send your holiday mail by Nov. 13

by Sgt. 1st Class Doug Sample
American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — If you want to make sure your holiday packages arrive to servicemembers overseas on time, mail them by Nov. 13.

Otherwise, your package could very well be on the proverbial "slow boat to China," said Mark DeDomenic, chief of postal operations for the Military Postal Service Agency.

Military postal operations employees ship about 250,000 pounds of mail each day to Iraq. That number is expected to go up to about 325,000 pounds each day during the year-end

holiday season, which is why DeDomenic suggests people mail holiday packages early.

"Mailing early is the best way to ensure that mail gets through the pipeline and to its destination on time," he said.

The Military Postal Service Agency has set the following deadlines for holiday mail:

Parcel Post, Nov. 13; Space Available, Nov. 28; Parcel-Airlift Mail, Dec. 4; Priority and First-Class letters or cards, Dec. 11.

It's a good idea to place a copy of the address inside the package, just in case the address label or package gets damaged.

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Volunteers from the Noncommissioned Officers Association will be taking pictures of family members in front of a Christmas tree at the Special Events Center Nov. 6 to 8. The pictures, along with a personal note, will then be incorporated into greeting cards, which will be delivered to deployed Soldiers.

Being a man of peace in time of war

by Spc. Jacob A. McDonald
27th Public Affairs Detachment
Fort Drum, N.Y.

Our president recently used the expression, "man of peace in a time of war." When I heard that phrase, it caught my attention. I had to ask myself what that entails. I have considered it, and I feel as a Soldier, I can still be a man of peace in our time of war.

Many years after the atomic bomb was dropped on Japan, one of the American airmen on that mission reflected on his role and his views on war and peace.

A New York native, Franklin Macgregor left his home to defend his country as a second lieutenant in the Army Air Corps. After two years of training as a bombardier, he was placed into the 509th Composite Group, flying in a squadron of B-29s. It was that same squadron that would eventually put a decisive end to the war in Japan.

On Aug. 6, 1945, Macgregor flew with the crew that provided backup should there be any mechanical problem with the Enola Gay, the B-29 that dropped the first atomic bomb on Hiroshima. A few days later, he flew a dry run over Nagasaki and fed

coordinates back to the plane carrying the second atomic bomb 30 minutes behind him. As a Soldier, he learned the cost of peace and the cost of freedom.

Although he knew that cost, his conscience troubled him after helping to kill 60,000 people. More blood was on the hands of the young warriors who dropped those bombs than that experienced by any before in all the cataclysms of man's history.

Returning home after being released from the Army Air Corps in 1946, Macgregor's soul searching continued, and he became a staunch backer and an active member of the United World Federalists, a predecessor of the United Nations. He felt that mankind somehow had to control war or face annihilation. He knew from his experience, however, that peace has a price.

He felt that we have two alternatives. We can, unilaterally, destroy our arms and disband our armies, leaving ourselves open to the whims of those who do not believe as we do. In this case, we will most certainly forfeit our freedom and that precious Constitution, which protects and ensures our rights.

The second alternative, he believed, is to keep ourselves armed to the extent that any adversary would be most fearful of attacking us. In this case,

we will maintain our freedom, our Constitution, and all we know, which the founders of this nation and countless men fought to bequeath to us.

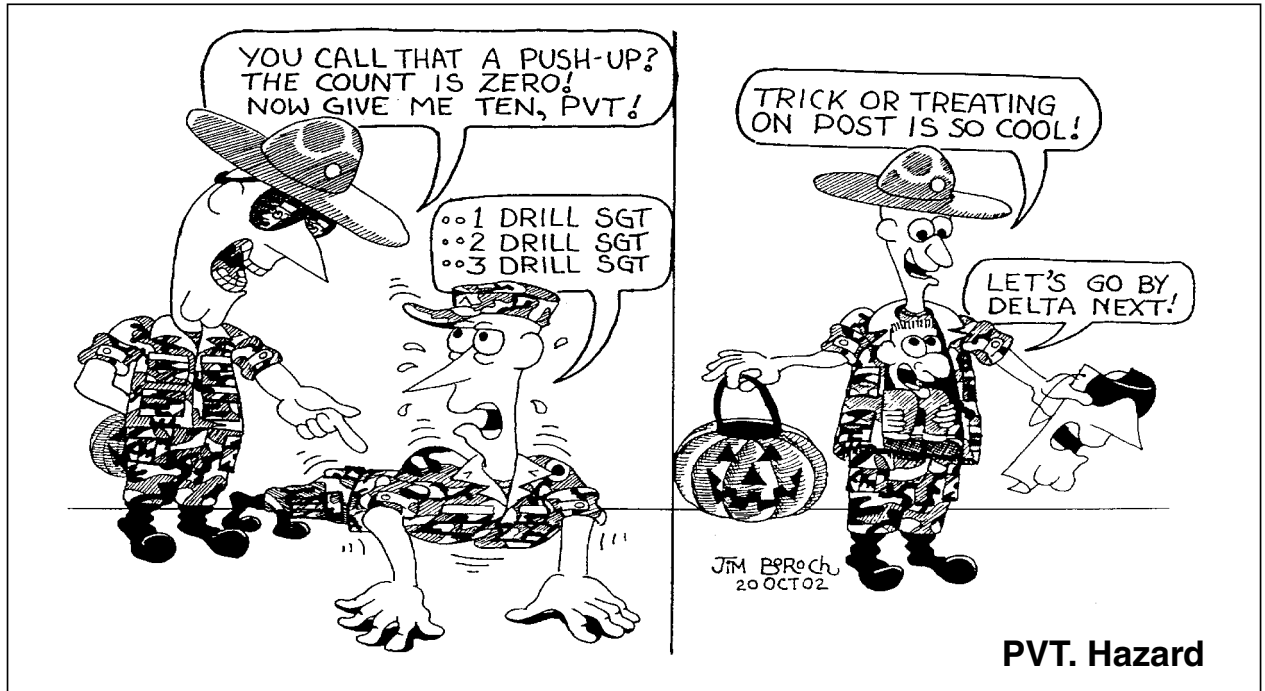
The second alternative has been proven. Terrorists may attack, but our freedom will remain. We will create peace again.

Like Macgregor, I have also reflected on being a Soldier in the service of my country and the price of peace. My conclusion is always the same. I will defend her. I will fight for freedom and peace.

A friend of mine asked me several months ago, how can I claim to be a man of peace and a man of God if I fight? The answer is simple; I fight because I am a man of peace and a man of God. I fight to defend my wife and child from threats. I fight to defend my home from being violated. I fight to defend my rights and liberties. I fight to defend the nation that ensures those rights and liberties. I fight to defend those who cannot fight.

Although my role is different today than that of Franklin Macgregor, the duty to serve has not changed.

Like him, my duty is to my country, my family, my rights and freedoms. My duty is to liberty. My duty is to help create peace from a time of war.



PVT. Hazard

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News

First missile-defense brigade activated

by Maj. Laura Kenney

Space and Missile Defense Command

PETERSON AIR FORCE BASE, Colo. — U.S.

Army Space and Missile Defense Command and the Colorado Army National Guard activated the nation's first Ground-based Midcourse Defense Brigade Oct. 16. The brigade will operate the first part of the integrated Ballistic Missile Defense System, which, in concert with sister services, is designed to protect the nation from accidental or intentional limited ballistic missile attacks. It will be manned by Colorado Army National Guard and active component soldiers.

The brigade will provide expertise to U.S. Northern Command's command and control operations from the Cheyenne Mountain Operations Center.

Another component of the brigade, the Alaska Army National Guard Missile Defense Space Battalion, will be activated in December. It will provide operational control over ground-based interceptors located in Alaska.

Lt. Gen. Joseph M. Cosumano Jr., commanding general of U.S. Space and Missile Defense Command, and Air Force Maj. Gen. Mason C. Whitney, Adjutant General of the Colorado National Guard, hosted the ceremony.

"The missile defense strategy of the 20th century was largely based on the concept that rational coun-

tries won't attack each other," said Cosumano. "We've learned in the 21st century that those theories don't apply anymore. Hostile states, and even non-state hostile groups, now either have or are working on long-range missiles. This activation today of an important part of our homeland defense strategy allows us to defend against that threat.

"The technology and the organizations have changed dramatically to meet the current threat," said Cosumano.

"The technology has changed from nuclear kill to hit-to-kill," said Cosumano. "In two wars now, Patriot (weapons system) has proven beyond a shadow of a doubt that we can hit a missile with a missile, despite naysayers of past years. Now we can do it in space.

"As to organizational change — where we're having this ceremony, in front of the U.S. Northern Command building, and close to both the Army and Air Force space buildings, is indicative of the joint nature of this effort to protect our great nation," said Cosumano.

"We'll be depending on Navy Aegis missile cruisers, and on the early warning architecture of the Air Force, as well as the superb skills and training of our own Soldiers.

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Lt. Gen. Joseph M. Cosumano Jr., commanding general, U.S. Space and Missile Defense Command

"And within the GMD Brigade itself, we see the melding of active component service men and women with the Colorado National Guard," said Cosumano. "The Guard is a perfect fit for this mission, with the genesis of its role in national defense dating back to the 1600s. That makes them a natural for this mission, just as Colorado, the hub and nerve center of space for the nation, is the most logical site for command and control."

"We are tremendously proud to be part of this mission," said Whitney. "It continues in direct descent the role of the Guardsman in protecting our nation. The only difference between that mission of two hundred plus years ago and now is current technology, we can defend more rapidly and accurately. Even being in space

that, with our more rapidly and

Enemy attacks ...

Numbers on the rise in Iraq

by Jim Garamone

American Forces Press Service

WASHINGTON — With new attacks in Iraq today, four soldiers have been killed in enemy attacks and two others have died there of other causes since Oct. 22, U.S. Central Command officials said. Four other soldiers were wounded.

This brings the number of U.S. servicemembers killed in Iraq since March 19 to 219. A total of 1,620 have been wounded.

Coalition officials in Baghdad said the number of incidents in the country is averaging 25 to 26 per day, with 35 as the highest single-day total. Incidents are defined as attacks, attempted attacks or thwarted attacks against coalition forces. This is up from the summer months, officials said.

The northern and southern parts of the country remain fairly calm, officials said. About 80 percent of the attacks are happening in the so-called "Baathist Triangle" of Tikrit, Baghdad and Ar Ramadi.

Officials said part of the reason incidents were up is

because of increased coalition pressure on Baathist hold-outs, foreign terrorists and criminal elements in the country.

In the most serious incident, two 4th Infantry Division soldiers were killed and four were wounded in a mortar attack in Samarra. Officials in Baghdad said the incident is under investigation, but the tactics are fairly common.

"They fire long-range weapons, because they cannot hope to win a firefight," said a Combined Joint Task Force 7 official. The official said that more than half of the attacks against coalition and Iraqi forces are done with mortars, improvised explosive devices, mines, rocket-propelled grenades or missiles.

In Mosul, a soldier from the 101st Airborne Division was killed in a firefight in the western part of the city today.

On Oct. 23, a 4th Infantry Division soldier was killed and two were wounded when an improvised explosive device detonated under their vehicle south of Baqubah. Two 1st Armored Division soldiers died in two separate non-combat incidents Oct. 22.

All names are being withheld, pending notification of next of kin.

Missile Defense

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isn't new, we've been in space over 10 years now. In all three buildings behind me, you'll find both Air Force and Army National Guard. I congratulate all the members of the new Ground-based Midcourse Defense Brigade, and wish them well as they begin a new tradition of excellence."

"In the 1970s, we briefly had the capability to defend ourselves against the threat of ballistic missiles," Col. Gary Baumann, commander of the newly activated brigade. "At that point, intelligence indicated that nine countries possessed such capabilities. Today, that number has increased threefold. This unit's activation is a small step towards ensuring the safety of our nation. In December 2002, the president of the United States directed that we push the fielding of this system up from 2006 to 2004. I believe we are on target to meet those goals. Our soldiers, chosen from the best across the state and nation, are well-trained, excited and looking forward to the challenge, and have been working tirelessly to be prepared for it."

Military

3rd BCT pins on 'Ivy' combat patch

by Capt. Brian Gebhardt
3rd Brigade Combat Team

On a balmy fall afternoon in Balad, Iraq, Fort Carson soldiers assigned to the 3rd Brigade Combat Team of the 4th Infantry Division conducted a combat patch ceremony.

Col. Frederick S. Rudesheim, the brigade commander, pinned the 4th ID "Ivy" patch on the right shoulders of each of his battalion commanders, thanking them for their hard work and dedication, and directing that they each conduct their own patch ceremonies, thereby ensuring all soldiers in the 3rd BCT are presented with the patch. Maj. Gen. Raymond Odierno, the 4th ID commanding general, chose the patch, which is said to resemble that which 4th ID soldiers wore during World War II. It features a brown background with green ivy leaves.

Since April, soldiers of the 3rd BCT have made a tremendous contribution to Operation Iraqi Freedom. As the brigade adjutant, Capt. Marc Beckage mentioned during the ceremony, the 3rd BCT has been all over Iraq, entering through Kuwait to the south and going as far north as Kirkuk, before working for the past several months to stabilize areas along the eastern edge of the much talked about "Sunni triangle."

The combat patch, in and of itself, has an interesting history. According to Soldiers Online, it was first authorized for wear on the right sleeve shortly before the United States entered World War II. Up until that time, combat veterans of World War I would at times wear small medal replicas of their combat unit's patch pinned above one of their uniform's breast pockets. However, since that time, combat veterans have proudly worn patches on their right shoulders, signifying the sacrifices American servicemembers have made during some of the most trying times in modern U.S. history. That tradition will now live on with the soldiers of the 4th Infantry Division.



Courtesy photos

Above: Soldiers in the 3rd Brigade Combat Team gather for a combat patch ceremony.

Left: The 4th Infantry Division commanding general, Maj. Gen. Raymond Odierno, presents patches to battalion commanders.

Military Briefs

Misc.

Bull Elk hunting seasons on Fort

Carson — Nov. 1 marks the beginning of the third bull elk rifle season, which extends from Saturday through Nov. 7. The fourth season begins Nov. 8 and ends Nov. 12.

Bull elk licenses are available over the counter, but after the actual beginning of the seasons, licenses can only be purchased at Colorado Division of Wildlife Offices (Regional Office located at 4255 Sinton Rd., Colorado Springs, Colo. Southeast of Interstate 25 and Garden of the Gods Road). The Fort Carson Outdoor Recreation Center no longer sells hunting licenses, but they can be purchased almost anywhere hunting equipment is sold.

The DECAM Wildlife Check Station (building 9301) will be open depending on range availability from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. each day during the season to issue Ranges Passes. Call the Range Control Information Line at 526-4136 to determine what training areas will be available for hunting. For current information about hunting on Fort Carson, call the Wildlife Office Information Recording at 579-9318 and select Option 5. For specific questions, call 576-8074 or visit our Web site at <http://mountain-prairie.fws.gov/gmu591>.

Colorado provides military hunting preference for deployed soldiers — Deployments may have prevented some active duty hunters from applying for Colorado's limited game license drawing. The application deadline for limited game licenses was April 1, 2003. As a result, the Colorado Wildlife Commission initiated a program to allow deployed service members access to big game licenses and preference points.

The Preference Point Program allowed deployed service members to purchase leftover hunting licenses prior to the licenses being offered to the general public Aug. 12, 2003. Although this deadline has past, military hunters are still eligible to apply for a preference point for next year's hunt.

To apply for a preference point, the soldier must have been deployed overseas in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom on

or about April 1, 2003. Documentation of the above MUST be included with submission of the application. (Photocopies are acceptable.)

The Preference Point Application is available at http://www.wildlife.state.co.us/hunt/BigGame/military/preference_point.pdf. The application must be received at the Colorado Division of Wildlife by Jan. 2, 2004.

It is unknown at this time if the Preference Point Program will be continued in 2004 by the Colorado Wildlife Commission. For more information, call the Wildlife Office at 579-9094.

Pregnant and postpartum physical training program helps soldiers:

- Stay in shape, minimize weight gain,
- Exercise with other moms-to-be.
- Lose the weight.
- Educational classes on parenting, infant care, nutrition, pregnancy, and more.
- Tailored to all pregnant and postpartum soldiers

Register now at the wellness center 526-3887, building 1526, Family Readiness Center.

Aerobic instructors are needed for pregnant, active duty soldiers one day a week from 6:30 to 7:30 a.m.

Volunteers will work with units during PT hours if active duty. For more information, call Capt. Cindy Craddock at 526-4393.

Support single soldiers and bowl at a discounted price at the bowling center, building 1511, Saturday from midnight to 3 a.m. The cost is \$7.50 per person which includes shoes and unlimited bowling. For more information, call Sgt. Kara Hines 524-2677

Go Warrant Officer — The U.S. Army is looking for highly motivated soldiers to fill its Warrant Officer ranks. Positions are open in all 45 specialties if you qualify. Soldiers with less than 12 years active federal service are encouraged to apply. For more information, contact the Warrant Officer Recruiting Team at www.usarec.army.mil/warrant or DSN 536-0484/0458/0488/0478/1860/0271.

Be a recruiter — The U.S. Army Recruiting is seeking highly motivated and dedicated noncommissioned officers to assist in providing the strength of America's Army. Take the challenge and learn how you can become a member of the recruiting team. For more information, visit www.usarec.army.mil/recruiter or DSN 536-0215/0465/0210/0547.

CIF Hours

Central Issue Facility hours of operation

Regular business hours

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to noon and 12:30 to 4 p.m. and Thursdays from 7:30 a.m. to noon.

Initial/partial issues

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8 to 11:30 a.m. and 12:30 to 3 p.m.

Direct exchange

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 12:30 to 3 p.m.

Partial turn-ins

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 12:30 to 3 p.m.

Full turn-ins

Appointments are scheduled

Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays. Call 524-2006 or 526-2729.

Effective immediately:

Replacement will be scheduled Mondays, Thursdays and Friday mornings.

Demobilized units tentatively have Tuesdays and Wednesdays to schedule out processing.

Mobilization units will schedule unit direct exchange by appointment. Unit supply sergeants will collect soldiers' DX items and schedule CIF appointments. A CIF employee will work one-on-one with supply sergeant vs. having bus loads of soldiers arrive at CIF to exchange one or two items.

Active-duty units — PCS/ETS/chapters/retires will make an initial out processing appointment (Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays) for turn-in. All follow-on appointments (14 OCIE items or less) will be scheduled if needed.

Bulk issue and turn-ins — By appointment only.

Appointments can be made with Connie Thompson at 526-4057 or 524-2006. POC for this information is Mark A. Rudd Sr., CIF supervisor at 526-6477.

Briefings

eArmyU — eArmyU program briefings are conducted at the Mountain Post Training and Education Center, building 1117, Tuesdays at 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. and Wednesdays at 11:30 a.m.

Are you ETSing? If you're within 120 days of end of time in service, you must immediately call 526-2607 or 526-2599 to make your appointment for your mandatory Reserve Component Briefing.

The Commanding General's Newcomers' Brief is the third Wednesday

of each month, 1 to 3 p.m. at McMahon Theater.

Laundry Service

Post Laundry Service — The Post

Laundry service provides free laundry and dry cleaning service to soldiers for government-owned property only. Items issued by the Central Issue Facility should be cleaned at the Post Laundry prior to turn in. Soldiers are reminded to allow extra time for items to return from the cleaners. It is not recommended to pick up your equipment on the same day as the scheduled CIF appointment. The turn around for the service is 72 hours. No appointment is necessary. The Post Laundry will not clean personal items like BDUs, boots, tent pegs, canteens, entrenching tools or wet-weather gear. Material TA-50 items that can be washed include: sleeping bag assembly, chemical suits, Gortex, ruck sacks, coveralls, CVC jackets and most web equipment.

Hours of operation are 7:30 a.m. to noon and 12:30 to 3:45 p.m., Mondays through Fridays, excluding holidays. For more information, call 526-8806 or 526-8804.

Hours of operation

The Mountain Post Training and Education Center's hours for certain programs and services will change Monday.

Hours are:

eArmyU Testing center, Monday through Thursday, 7 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Army Learning Center and Basic Skills Classes, Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Counselor Support Center, Monday through Thursday 7 a.m. to 4:45 p.m. Friday 11 a.m. to 4:45 p.m.

Claims Division hours — The Claims Division office hours are now Monday through Thursday from 9 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 4 p.m. The office is closed Fridays.

Personnel Claims hours:

Mandatory briefing: Mondays and Wednesdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Submit DD 1840/1840R

Receive documents for filing:

Submitting completed Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9 to 11:30 a.m. Claims: 1 to 4 p.m. Closed on Friday.

If there is an emergency personnel claims issue on Friday, call Tina Kolb at 526-1352 to see if it warrants an appointment.

Editor's note: The deadline for submitting "briefs" to the Mountaineer is 5 p.m. Friday before publication.

Dining Schedule

Week of Nov. 1 to 7

Exceptions

- Butts Army Airfield dining facility is closed until further notice.
- CAV House is closed Saturday and Sunday.
- Mountaineer Inn is closed until further notice.



Weekday Dining Facilities

43rd ASG Cheyenne Mtn. Inn (building 1040)
3rd ACR CAV House (building 2461)
3rd ACR Patton House (building 2161)
10th SFG (A) (building 7481)
3rd BCT Strikers Cafe (building 2061)

Weekday Meal Hours

Breakfast 6 to 9 a.m. (All facilities)
6:30 to 8:30 a.m. (Cheyenne Mtn. Inn)
Lunch 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Dinner 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, Sunday and Training Holiday Dining Facilities

3rd ACR Cav. House. (building 2461)
43rd ASG (building 1040)
3rd ACR Patton House (building 2161)
3rd BCT Strikers Cafe (building 2061)

Saturday, Sunday and Training Holiday Meal Hours

Breakfast 7:30 to 9:30 a.m.
Lunch 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Dinner 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
3 to 5 p.m. (Cheyenne Mtn. Inn)

Remembering

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died of wounds Sept. 20. An improvised explosive device struck Miller's Bradley Fighting Vehicle during a convoy.

FOB Quinn – Named after Staff Sgt. Michael B. Quinn who died of wounds sustained during a firefight while conducting checkpoint operations May 27.

Sixteen other brave troopers have fallen since operations began for the 3rd ACR in Iraq. There are plans to continue to memorialize the regiment's fallen heroes. In the regimental dining facility, the regiment proudly displays a memorial to all the troopers who have fallen in the line of duty. This memorial hangs above an archway every trooper passes through during meal times.

Brave troopers who have fallen while serving under the regiment of Mounted Riflemen:

Sgt. Thomas F. Broomhead, Capt. Joshua T. Byers, Spc. Richard A. Carl, Sgt. Michael Dooley (Dooley Drive runs in front of Tiger Headquarters on FOB Tiger), Staff Sgt.

Richard S. Eaton Jr., Pvt. Benjamin L. Freeman, Pfc. Jesse A. Givens, Chief Warrant Officer Hans Gukeisen, Pfc. David M. Kirchoff, Staff Sgt. William T. Latham, Pfc. Vorn J. Mack (a dining facility was named "Mack's Mess"), Staff Sgt. Frederick L. Miller, Spc. Rafael L. Navea (the ICDC Training Center was named after this soldier), Pfc. Brandon Oberleitner, Staff Sgt. Andrew R. Pokorny (a new softball/soccer field was named after this soldier), Staff Sgt. Michael B. Quinn, Spc. Tamarra J. Ramos, Spc. Stephen M. Scott, Maj. Mathew E. Schram, Chief Warrant Officer Brian VanDusen and Sgt. Taft V. Williams.

Due to the limited number of operating bases the regiment operates from, it is not possible to honor all the regiment's troopers who have died during Operation Iraqi Freedom.

All Brave Rifles who have fallen in the line of duty during Operation Iraqi Freedom will be forever remembered for their bravery and valor. Plans are in the works for a memorial to be placed at the regimental headquarters, once the regiment returns from duty in Iraq.

ICDC

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working with one another. The cadre could often be seen encouraging the ICDC recruits and both groups enjoyed good humor with each other.

Students and cadre agreed the hardest part of the training was overcoming the language barrier. There are only a few interpreters at the camp.

The Iraqi workers who are renovating the facilities at Navea Training Center look favorably on their countrymen in the ICDC.

"They feel their comrades, like us, are helping our country," said Tarq Omar Baker Laldelani, general contractor for the Navea Training Center.

"We feel the American soldiers are helping us greatly," said Wamid Ismael Ibrahim Dawad. "We need America here. This is the most important time in our history."

The ICDC graduates see a bright future for their country.

"We're full of natural resources and we have help to rebuild our country. These things make us very optimistic," said Ibrahim Hamad Abid.

Gov. Karim Burgess called the graduation of the first class "a historic day" and said the ICDC graduates will play "a vital role" in their nation's history.

If the attitude and performance the cadre say the graduates exhibited during the first ICDC training cycle are any indication, they will fill that role of helping secure their nation's future.

Some helpful ideas ...

Getting your finances in check

by 1st Lt. Theodore Stutz
4th Finance Battalion

It seems every conversation I have about people's personal financial situation goes exactly the same way. They approach me wanting to start investing or looking for a way out of debt, or both. Somewhere in the conversation, I always end up uncovering that they have credit card debt that is more than two to three times their monthly income. I tell them that before they can consider investing or anything else, they have to get their debt under control. The reason is that all of their investing efforts can be irrelevant if their earnings are less than the interest they are paying on their credit cards. The way to get out of debt is simple in theory, difficult in practice ... spend less, pay more to the card each month.

Budgeting

I have listed some ways to help you stay at or under your personal monthly spending budget so that you can make your monthly credit card payment goals.

Remember that every dollar counts. What can you cut out of your budget? Do you buy a coffee every day? Tally up the cost: \$3.50 a day x 365 = \$1,277.50 a year on coffee. Can you believe that?

Ask your hair salon if it has a training night. Hairdressers-in-training often cut your hair just as well as your regular hairdresser would (they're supervised by senior staff), but for a fraction of the usual cost.

Buy the things you consume at work at the grocery. Bringing lunch and cans of soda or bottles of water from home in a cooler can turn \$6 a day for these things into \$2 a day, saving you nearly \$1,000 a year.

Decide what you can spend each week on everything except bills, and withdraw that amount of cash at the beginning of every week and spend only that. This will help you stick to your budget. Then keep a jar for change. Break bills to get the change and keep it. Once a year cash the change in for Christmas presents or whatever. I usually get \$100 or more in unexpected income this way and at a time when I really need it.

If you really like a product you can call and ask to be put on the company's free sample lists and ask for coupons. It can't hurt to ask.

For a less expensive date, go out for coffee and or dessert instead of dinner. It can be just as romantic, and get you into the same good restaurants for a fraction of the cost.

Dealing with the creditors

If you should ever not pay a credit card balance, that blotch stays on your record and can prevent you from getting a car loan or a mortgage. If you should ever declare bankruptcy, forget it — it will be on your credit record and affect your credit rating for seven to

10 years. Here are some things you should know about getting off the revolving credit merry-go-round.

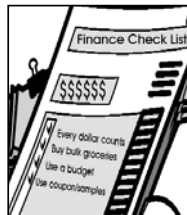
Pay more than the minimum payment each month, if you ever hope to pay off your credit card debt. You must also pay on time or a finance or late charge will be added to the total, creating a larger minimum payment for the next month — and a larger finance charge added to the total again if you don't pay it.

If it gets really bad, tell the company's collection department that you're having financial difficulties and need to have your interest rate lowered, simple as that. They say, "What can you manage?" You tell them.

Get something back from your credit cards. Find a credit card that offers some type of reward (cash back, phone discounts, airline miles etc.) and always haggle for a lower annual percentage rate if you plan to carry a balance. Credit card companies are so competitive — if you call your credit card company and

tell them you've found a lower APR on another card, they will most likely match it. Never feel you have too big a balance to negotiate or even switch companies for a better rate or kickback. Credit card companies make money on balances. A good way to get results is to call and immediately ask for the cancellation department; these people can do what you want.

Again, the way out is to spend less and pay back more.



Community



Photos by Staff Sgt. Melissa Bernazzani

Fountain-Fort Carson high school JROTC cadets fold the flag during the Red Ribbon Week ceremony Oct. 22 at Mountainside Elementary School.

Red Ribbon Week

Promoting anti-drug awareness among children

by Staff Sgt. Melissa Bernazzani
14th Public Affairs Detachment

Little red handprints covered the Mountainside Elementary School walls last week, symbolizing the children's dedication in the fight for a drug-free America.

The handprints were just a few of the school's decorations in celebration of National Red Ribbon Week. Red Ribbon Week is a national program that is designed for anti-drug abuse awareness and helps teach children the importance of making healthy decisions throughout their lives.

National Red Ribbon Week was founded in March 1985, as a result of the death of Federal Drug Enforcement Agent Enrique Camarena, who was murdered by drug traffickers.

A ribbon-cutting ceremony Oct. 22 at Mountainside Elementary School kicked off a string of post events lasting through Oct. 31 in the fight against drugs. This year's theme for the Fort Carson community was "Unite for a drug-free world."

"The purpose (of Red Ribbon Week) is to educate students about the dangers of drug use and get them thinking at a young age to make a pledge to remain drug free," said Lynn Zupans, Mountainside Elementary School principal.

After the ribbon cutting, the Red Ribbon essay winners were announced, followed by an essay reading by the first place winner, fifth-grader Victor

Caylor.

In his essay, his words expressed his pledge against drugs like so many other children across the country did when they raised their hands for the fight against drugs during the nation's Red Ribbon Week.

"Certainly, we must unite and fight the war on drugs to destroy them for good."



Red handprints decorate the outside of Mountainside Elementary School to celebrate Red Ribbon Week.



Red Ribbon Week volunteers from Mountainside Elementary School stand above a flag made up of students' hand cutouts, which represented the students' pledges to remain drug free.

Late Tricare payments can cause a loss of coverage

Courtesy TriWest Healthcare Alliance

We all know how important it is to pay bills on time. Paying utility bills late can result in having your power, water or telephone service turned off. Failing to pay your TRICARE Prime enrollment fee on time will result in your being involuntarily disenrolled from Prime. Disenrollment means that you can be "locked out" of Prime for a period of 12 months from the disenrollment date. (During that period, you would be able to use TRICARE Standard or Extra.) In the past several months, there has been a noticeable increase in the number of beneficiaries forgetting to pay their enrollment fees.

Military retirees, their survivors and family members enrolled in TRICARE Prime are responsible for an annual enrollment fee. TRICARE-eligible, unmarried former spouses, regardless of their sponsors' duty status, must also pay Prime enrollment fees. Family members of active duty service members may enroll in TRICARE Prime at no cost.

The Prime enrollment fee is \$230 a year for individuals and \$460 for two or more family members. Fees may be paid annually or quarterly by check, money order or credit card. A quarterly individual payment is \$57.50. The family fee is \$115 per quarter.

TRICARE rules require TriWest Healthcare Alliance to send billing notices for quarterly installment payments no later than 30 calendar days prior to the payment-due date. TriWest recommends you mail your enrollment fee payment by the 20th of the month to be sure it is received before the date it is due.

Prime beneficiaries under 65 years of age who are retiring from active duty military service must be aware of their specific enrollment/payment deadlines and submit their enrollment forms and applicable fees on time to avoid a gap in coverage.

If your retirement date is the first of the month, you must enroll in Prime (and pay your fees) by the 20th of the previous month. If the 20th falls on a weekend, your enrollment application and fee must be submitted on the business day prior to the 20th (usually Friday). For example, if your retirement date is September 1, TriWest must receive your enrollment application and fee by August 20. Should August 20 fall on a Saturday or Sunday, your application and fee must be received by Friday (August 18 or 19). If your retirement date does not fall on the first of the month, you must submit your enrollment form and fee before your retirement date to avoid a lapse.

TriWest recommends that you mark the due dates of your Prime enrollment fee on your calendar and always pay by that date. That way, if a billing notice is lost in the mail or accidentally delivered to the wrong address, your payment will have already been made or sent, and your coverage will not be affected. Note that Prime enrollment fees are not refundable.

If you have a question about your TRICARE Prime enrollment fee or billing date, call (888) TRIWEST (874-9378). For more information about TRICARE Prime, visit www.triwest.com or www.tricarecr.carson.army.mil.



Photo by Pfc. Stephen Kretsinger

Tribute to a soldier ...

A memorial service was held for Sgt. Tamarra J. Ramos, combat medic, Medical Troop, Support Squadron, 3rd Armored Cavalry Regiment, Oct. 16 at Soldiers' Memorial Chapel. Ramos served in Iraq before returning to the U.S. for medical treatment of an "unknown cancer."

Community Events

Miscellaneous

Bull Elk hunting seasons on Fort Carson —

Nov. 1 marks the beginning of the third bull elk rifle season, which extends from Saturday through Nov. 7. The fourth season begins Nov. 8 and ends Nov. 12.

Bull elk licenses are available over the counter, but after the actual beginning of the seasons, licenses can only be purchased at Colorado Division of Wildlife Offices (Regional Office located at 4255 Sinton Rd., Colorado Springs, Colo. Southeast of Interstate 25 and Garden of the Gods Road). The Fort Carson Outdoor Recreation Center no longer sells hunting licenses, but they can be purchased almost anywhere hunting equipment is sold.

The DECAM Wildlife Check Station (building 9301) will be open depending on range availability from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. each day during the season to issue Ranges Passes. Call the Range Control Information Line at 526-4136 to determine what training areas will be available for hunting. For current information about hunting on Fort Carson, call the Wildlife Office Information Recording at 579-9318 and select Option 5. For specific questions, call 576-8074 or visit our Web site at <http://mountain-prairie.fws.gov/gmu591>.

Colorado provides military hunting preference for deployed soldiers — Deployments may have prevented some active duty hunters from applying for Colorado's limited game license drawing. The application deadline for limited game licenses was April 1, 2003. As a result, the Colorado Wildlife Commission initiated a program to allow deployed service members access to big game licenses and preference points.

The Preference Point Program allowed deployed service members to purchase leftover hunting licenses prior to the licenses being offered to the general public Aug. 12, 2003. Although this deadline has past, military hunters are still eligible to apply for a preference point for next year's hunt.

To apply for a preference point, the soldier must have been deployed overseas in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom on or about April 1, 2003. Documentation of the above MUST be included with submission of the application. (Photocopies are acceptable.)

The Preference Point Application is available at http://www.wildlife.state.co.us/hunt/BigGame/military/preference_point.pdf. The application must be received at the Colorado Division of Wildlife by Jan. 2, 2004.

It is unknown at this time if the Preference Point Program will be continued in 2004 by the Colorado Wildlife Commission. For more information, call the Wildlife Office at 579-9094.

Delay in the flu vaccine — Due to circumstances beyond the control of Evans Army Community Hospital, the "Flu Clinic" will be delayed for one week.

Starting Monday through Nov. 14, Evans Army Community Hospital will be providing influenza vaccine to healthcare beneficiaries. The Flu Clinic will be located at building 1007 (TMC 9) on Wetzel Avenue from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. On Nov. 11, the Flu Clinic will be closed because of Veterans Day.

It is our goal to vaccinate all our healthcare beneficiaries.

Active-duty servicemembers will receive influenza vaccine from their units as planned.

The pediatric clinic will be providing the influenza vaccine to "high-risk" children and adolescent beneficiaries from Thursday during regularly scheduled walk-in hours 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 3:20 p.m. at the Pediatric Immunization Clinic. Please call the Pediatric Clinic for further questions at 526-7653. Eligible federal employees can receive their

influenza vaccine starting Nov. 18 through January, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays from 8 to 11:30 a.m. from the Occupational Health Clinic located in building 2059 on Mcgrath Avenue.

People can call the Influenza Hotline at 526-6422 for updates.

Alcoholics Anonymous meets weekly on Fort Carson — Alcoholics Anonymous is an international fellowship of men and women who desire to stop drinking or remain sober. All members of the Fort Carson community are invited. During meetings the members share their experiences, strength and hope with each other that they may solve their common problem and help others to recover from alcoholism. Since 1935, AA has been working successfully for men and women from every age and kind of background. There are more than 100 meetings of Alcoholics Anonymous in Colorado Springs. The AA meeting on Fort Carson is at Evans Army Community Hospital, fourth floor wing, Room 4918 every Thursday from noon to 1 p.m. The meeting is sponsored by the Colorado Springs AA Center Office and lead by a retired Army sergeant. Call 526-2862 for further information.

Halloween trick or treating — Halloween trick or treating in the housing areas on Fort Carson will be from 6 to 8 p.m. Oct. 31. To ensure the safety of our children, the Military Police will provide added support in your community during these times. However, it is imperative for parents to ensure their children wear light-colored clothing or reflective gear and lighting equipment to ensure maximum visibility to motorists.

Beat Air Force — The Army-Air Force game will be Nov. 8 at noon at the Air Force Academy's Falcon Stadium. Tickets are available at Information, Tickets and Registration, building 1532, 526-2083/5366. The cost is \$30 each. There will be a pregame rally at Xtremes parking lot Nov. 7 beginning at 7 p.m. There will be a Fort Carson Tailgate party in Lot 2A at Falcon Stadium beginning 9 a.m. Nov. 8.

Attention modelers: The 4th Annual Mountain Post Armor Show will be held at the Elkhorn Conference Center. There will be figures from the 1860s through the present, dioramas, helicopters, artillery and more. Door prizes will be given as well as "best of" awards. The competition categories include: Junior (under 17), Basic (first-time competitors, intermediate (average to above average), advanced (highly skilled) and masters. Registration is from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. Awards will be given from 3 to 3:30 p.m. For more information, contact Steve Kiernan at (719) 282-3093 or smkiernan@adelphia.net.

ACAP job openings — Army Career and Alumni Program currently has the following job listings for interested personnel. For more information about the jobs, call 526-1002.

What: Information Operations Officer in Colorado Springs Who: People with top secret/SCI clearance.

What: Help desk level II in Colorado Springs Who: People with a high school diploma What: QA project manager Omaha, Neb., no clearance required.

What: Equipment technician in Utah, Wyoming, Colorado Who: Soldiers, E-3 and above with no DWIs or felonies.

Annual leave donations — Joe Martinez, Directorate of Community Activities and Alan Wright, an employee in the Directorate of Environmental Compliance and Management, need annual leave donations to help cover absences because of illnesses and the exhaustion of available paid leave, call Robin Spencer at 526-0427.

Civilian employees willing to donate annual leave under the "Voluntary Leave Transfer Program" should call Patrick McCusker at 526-1696 or Kathy Green at 526-1729.

Claims against the estate

Claims against the estate — With deepest



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Family Readiness Center**
526-4590

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regrets to the family of Sgt. Tamarra J. Ramos, deceased. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to her estate should contact Chief Warrant Officer Edward L. Buss, 526-6514 or 526-1954.

Claims against the estate — With deepest regrets to the family of Capt. Brian R. Faunce, deceased. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to his estate should contact 1st Lt. Geoffrey C. Dietrick, summary court officer, 238-5674 or 526-4485.

Claims against the estate — With deepest regrets to the family of Staff Sgt. Frederick Miller, deceased. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to his estate should contact 1st Lt. David Rittenhouse, 559-8522.

Claims against the estate — With deepest regrets to the family of Sgt. Thomas Broomhead, deceased. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to his estate should contact 2nd Lt. Scott Weaver at 577-4096.

Claims against the estate — With deepest regrets to the family of Pfc. Jesse Givens, deceased. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to his estate should contact 2nd Lt. Scott Weaver at 577-4096.

Claims against the estate — With deepest regrets to the family of Pvt. Benjamin Freeman, deceased. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to his estate should contact Chief Warrant Officer Eric Oleson at 526-2824 or 659-4097.

Claims against the estate — With deepest regrets to the family of Spc. Christy Tillman, deceased. Anyone having claims against or indebtedness to her estate should contact Chief Warrant Officer Silas Bland at 930-7961.

Chaplain's Corner

For all the saints ...

Special day celebrates divine glory

Commentary by Chap. Larry Hamrick

U.S. Army Garrison

According to the Oxford

Dictionary of the Christian Church (2nd Ed), All Saints Day is the feast kept in the Western Christian Church on Nov. 1, to celebrate all the Christian saints, known and unknown. Reference to such a feast occurs as early as 373 with changes made as to the day of its celebration until 741 when Pope Gregory III dedicated a chapel in the basilica of St. Peter to "All the Saints."

But who is a saint? Let's look at how the American Heritage Dictionary defines the word. A saint is a theological word with several meanings such as: A person officially recognized as being entitled to public veneration and capable of interceding for people on earth; a person who has died and gone to heaven; a member of any of various religious groups; in Islam and Judaism, an extraordinarily

righteous person enjoying a special relationship with God; an extremely virtuous person.

But whatever your take on these definitions, one thing I would ask you to question: What is the characteristic that seems to permeate the lives of all those who have been called saints? One characteristic that comes to mind is their relentless dedication to the service of God even in the face of death. What would prompt such a dedication? I would contend that it is faith. God gave these seemingly extraordinary people the faith they needed in order to accomplish the mission he gave them. Why is faith important? After all, mere faith alone seems like a dependence on someone else to do the job for you; and is akin to hope or wishful thinking. However, it is when we understand that faith motivates us to action, we can see the power contained in this spiritual dimension.

The element of motivation to

action is not necessarily a part of the concept of hope and wishing. When we merely hope or wish a thing to come to pass we understand, and accept the possibility that it may not; and indeed, that things may become worse than before. True faith however, denies failure in that it is understood that things will work out somehow for good — even though danger and suffering may come before. So faith produces an inner drive in an individual that transcends fear, thus weakening its effects on the choices and actions of the individual. It is when people have great faith that things are really bound to happen.

Well, how do we get this stuff

called faith? We simply ask God for it. However, if you are now finding that God isn't giving you the measure of faith that you think you need, try

re-evaluating your motives and ask God: "What must I do and how must I think differently in order to receive faith?" Please remember that God is not the "Gimmie, Gimmie Guy" for all of our wants. God has a definite plan that involves all of us, with each of us playing our part within the synchronization of his will. So in closing, ask God what

he wants, be willing to carry out the mission that he gives you, and he'll give you the wherewithal (as well as the faith) to get it done. This is what the saints did and this is also a large part of why they are remembered.



DOD bone marrow program recruiting donors

Courtesy Air Force Master Sgt. Kristin Clark

The C.W. Bill Young Department of Defense Marrow Donor Program will be recruiting volunteers Nov.18 to join the National Marrow Donor Registry and possibly become a lifesaving bone marrow donor for a critically ill patient. Eligible donors include active-duty members and their family members, civil service employees and National Guard or Reservists in good health between the ages of 18 and 60.

At the donor registration drive from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the first-floor atrium in building 350, Mission Support Center, you can learn more about the program, fill out a consent form and provide a small one-tube blood sample from your arm. Your bone marrow type will be determined and entered into the National Marrow Donor Registry. You will

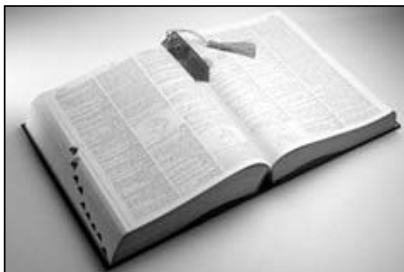
remain in the registry until age 60 and will be contacted if you ever become a preliminary match for a patient.

Marrow donations from Department of Defense personnel are performed at Georgetown University Medical Center in Washington, D.C. and there is no cost at any time to the government or the donor. The procedure is done under local or general anesthesia and takes less than two hours with a typical overnight hospital stay. The bone marrow is extracted from the back of the pelvic bone and the only effect the donor feels is some soreness at the extraction site.

Each year more than 30,000 adults and children are diagnosed with leukemia or other fatal blood diseases and more than 70 percent must search for a matching donor outside of their immediate family.

To date, the National Marrow Donor Program has enabled more than 10,000 unrelated transplants using donors from the more than four million registered; the DOD share of these figures are nearly 800 transplants and almost 300,000 registered. In addition to its humanitarian mission, the DOD Marrow Program has a military contingency mission to provide immediate donor searches in the event of a mass casualty incident involving chemical agents or nuclear exposure that damages bone marrow. The DOD Marrow Program is one of 92 donor centers supporting the National Marrow Registry.

For more information, contact Master Sgt. Kristin Clark at 556-9158 or kristin.clark@peter-son.af.mil. You can also visit the DOD Marrow Program's Web site at www.dodmarrow.org or call them at (800) MARROW-3.



Chapel

Fort Carson AWANA Club: Making the Gospel fun. AWANA shapes children's lives with a combination of good clean fun, Bible memory and spiritual teaching. AWANA is an international nondenominational organization dedicated to sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ with young people. The group is similar to scouting and participants wear uniforms, earn badges and are motivated through awards. Meetings are held Thursdays from 5:15 to 7 p.m. Spaces are available for adults who want to be ministry leaders. The leadership training is free. For information, contact Susan Webb at 538-9306.

Daily Bible readings: In order to assist in regular scripture reading, the following scriptures are recommended. These scriptures are part of the common daily lectionary which is designed to present the entire Bible over a three-year cycle.

Friday — Jonah 2:2-9 & Hosea 5-7

Saturday — Exodus 5:1-18 & Hosea 8-10

Sunday — Psalms 122 & Hosea 11-14

Monday — Psalms 123 & Joel

Tuesday — Psalms 124 & Amos 1-5

Wednesday — Psalms 125 & Amos 6-9 Thursday —

Psalms 126 & Obadiah and Jonah

Chapel Schedule ROMAN CATHOLIC

Day	Time	Service	Chapel	Location	Contact Person
M-W-F	noon	Mass	Healer	Evans Army Hospital	Fr. Battiato/649-5260
Tues., Wed., Thurs.	noon	Mass	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Patton/526-5769
Saturday	5 p.m.	Mass	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Patton/526-5769
Sunday	8 a.m.	Mass	Prussman	Barkeley & Prussman	Chap. Patton/526-5769
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Mass	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Patton/526-5769
Sunday	10:45 a.m.	CRE	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Pat Treacy/526-5744
Sunday	11 a.m.	Mass	Healer	Evans Army Hospital	Fr. Battiato/649-5260
Sunday	12:15 p.m.	Mass	Provider	Barkeley & Ellis	Chap. Patton/526-5769
Tuesday	6:30 p.m.	RCIA	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Pat Treacy/526-5744
Saturday	4 p.m.	Reconciliation	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Patton/526-5769

PROTESTANT

Sunday	9 a.m.	Protestant	Healer	Evans Army Hospital	Chap. Kincaid/526-7387
Sunday	9 a.m.	Protestant	Provider	Barkeley & Ellis	Chap. Borden/526-3711
Sunday	11 a.m.	Protestant	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Fox/526-8011
Sunday	11 a.m.	Prot./Gospel	Prussman	Barkeley & Prussman	Chap. Byrd/526-2811
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sun. School	Prussman	Barkeley & Prussman	Chap. Byrd/526-2811
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Sun. School	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Dr. Scheck/526-5626
Tuesday	9 a.m.	PWOC	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Chap. Fox/524-1166
Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Contemporary	Veterans'	Magrath & Titus	Chap. Ellison/526-8890
Sunday	6 p.m.	PYOC	Soldiers'	Nelson & Martinez	Ms. Scheck/524-1166

LITURGICAL

Sunday	10:45 a.m.	Lutheran	Provider	Barkeley & Ellis	Chap. Lloyd/526-3888
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JEWISH

For information and a schedule of Jewish Sabbath services, call the U.S. Air Force Academy Cadet Chapel at 333-2636.

WICCA

Monday	6:30 p.m.	Family University	Building 1161	Melissa Dalugudg/330-7873
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MORMON

Sunday	2 p.m.	LDS	Provider	Barkeley & Ellis	Chap. Jones/526-3718
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NATIVE AMERICAN SWEATLODGE

Please call the following for ceremonial information and directions. Michael Dunning at 382-5331 or cell phone 330-9537
 Youth of the chapel — Activities for Protestant and Catholic Middle School and high school youths take place Tuesdays at 6 p.m. at Soldiers' Memorial Chapel. Protestant High School activities include bible studies Sundays at 9:30 a.m. and Tuesdays at 6 p.m. at Soldiers' Memorial Chapel. Catholic youth classes meet at 10:45 a.m. Sundays, Soldiers' Memorial Chapel.

For additional information, contact the Installation Chaplain's Office, building 1550, at 526-5209. Normally, free child-care is available during on-post worship services.

The Army Cycle Of Prayer — Each week the Office of the Army Chief of Chaplains will highlight Army units, the Army at large, the nation and religious organizations to focus prayer. You are invited to join with the chaplain community and pray for these individuals and organizations. Please pray this week for the following: **Unit:** For the soldiers and leaders of the 1st Infantry Division ("Big Red One"), forward deployed in Wuerzburg, Germany. **Army:** For the soldiers, noncommissioned officers and officers of the Infantry Branch. Ask God to provide leaders that will decisively train for and lead their units to victory in battle. **State:** For all soldiers and families from the state of Kansas. Pray also for Gov.

Bill Graves, the state legislators and municipal officials of the Jayhawk state. **Nation:** For the memory and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Pray that God would lead us to realize King's vision of a land where constitutional freedoms are a reality for all, and where civility and nonviolent change become a way of life for our citizens. **Religious:** For the soldiers and families from the Moravian Church. Pray also for all military chaplains endorsed to serve on behalf of this community of faith. For more information on the Army Cycle of Prayer, or to pray for items from previous weeks, visit the cycle's Web site at www.usarmychaplain.com.



Spc. Jerry Brim, computer technician, 10th Combat Support Hospital, perches in a tree near the creek bed. Brim helped cut branches and clear brush away from the creek bed.



Sgt. Kara Hines, installation Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers president, helps polishes horse saddles at Turkey Creek Ranch Saturday. Many BOSS soldiers participated in Make a Difference Day activities.

Photos by Pfc. Stephen Kretsinger



Command Sgt. Maj. Terrance McWilliams, command sergeant major, 7th Infantry Division and Fort Carson, dusts a piano in the cabin at Turkey Creek Ranch. Members of Medical Department Activity also assisted in the cleaning of the cabin.



Darrienne Cloudy, 10, carries a saddle to be polished. Cloudy was one of the Girl Scouts from Junior Troop 560 who participated in Make a Difference Day at Turkey Creek Ranch.

Making A difference

by Pfc. Stephen Kretsinger
Mountaineer staff

A gentle snow fell Saturday morning, but the volunteers, dressed in stocking caps, gloves and scarves, still came out to make a difference.

"Make a Difference Day is a national day of volunteering," said Gwen Ragle, installation volunteer coordinator. "Many people get involved and support volunteerism throughout the nation. They set aside a day every year, the fourth Saturday in October, for Make a Difference Day."

The Mountain Post community pulled together for lots of outdoor beautification projects at Turkey Creek Ranch. Such activities included cleaning out the creek bed, cleaning out the cabin, cleaning out the

Penrose House, planting shrubs around the portable toilets to make them look nicer, polishing saddles and cleaning out the horse stalls.

"It's nice, because that's a big job for the Fort Carson Mounted Color Guard to do on their own," said Ragle.

Many organizations were present, doing their part for the community. Helping out at Turkey Creek Ranch were Boy Scout Troop 164, Cub Scout Pack 264, Girl Scout Junior Troop 560, Better Opportunities for Single Soldiers, 10th Combat Support Hospital, Medical Department Activity and 91st Infantry Division.

The Directorate of Community Activities provided a free lunch to all volunteers. Before lunch, which

consisted of big turkey legs, potato salad and other treats, the commanding general thanked the volunteers.

"We thank you for what you've done," said Maj. Gen. Robert Wilson, commanding general, 7th Infantry Division and Fort Carson. "You make a difference everyday."

After lunch, raffle prizes were given away. Prizes included 450 gift certificates for many local shops, to include restaurants and movie theaters.

"Last year we only had 60 people sign up. This year, despite deployments, we had 110 people sign up."

Activities for Make a Difference Day took place at other local locations as well as Turkey Creek Ranch. The post community helped out at

the Cheyenne Mountain Zoo, the Garden of the Gods, various city parks and Glen Eyrie.

"We have over 2,680 volunteers on Fort Carson that are doing stuff all the time, everyday," said Ragle. "Fort Carson has a very dynamic volunteer community."

"There are many ways people can make a difference everyday," said Ragle. "They can get involved in the Family Readiness Group. They can help out at the hospital. They can get involved in the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts."

Time after time, the Fort Carson community pulls through. Come rain, sleet or snow, the Mountain Post community will not be swayed from doing what it can to make a difference.



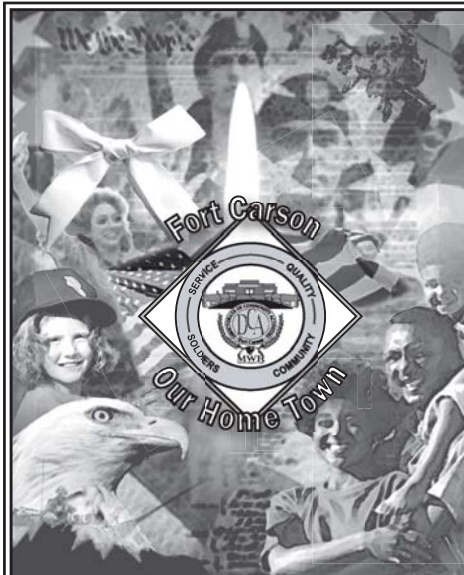
From left, Maj. Gen. Robert Wilson, commanding general, 7th Infantry Division and Fort Carson, Col. Mike Terry, assistant division commander for support, 7th ID and Fort Carson, and Command Sgt. Maj. Joseph VanDyke, garrison command sergeant major, fell a tree by pulling it down with a rope after the trunk was cut.



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- Coffee & Donuts • Bring own food & Drink

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Sports & Leisure

Red ribbon week of sports

by Bill Scharton
Mountaineer staff

Several athletic events took place during the Red Ribbon Week activities at Fort Carson and Russell Jordan, the Army Substance Abuse Program prevention coordinator at the Mountain Post, was on hand to spread the word about Red Ribbon Week at each event.

Forrest Fitness Center was the site for a racquetball tournament and an aerobithon. During the racquetball awards presentations, Jordan gave away red ribbons and water bottles and took photos of the tourney award winners. He thanked them for their participation and spoke to them about Red Ribbon Week.

In the racquetball tournament doubles competition, Simeona Simeona and Maninoa Mua captured first place and Levell Dishmon and Stephanie Timmons placed second. In the women's bracket, Timmons placed first and Maylen Gaspar finished second. Ernie Costello won the Men's B Division title and Kerry Comstock finished in second place.

Jordan followed up his racquetball presentations with a visit to the salsa cardio class and the kickboxing class. These two classes were part of the Saturday morning aerobithon at Forrest that also included step, yoga and spinning classes.

Roberto and Mercy Garcia-Chavez instruct the salsa cardio class and according to the two instructors, the class teaches latin dance that is "awesome" for cardiovascular conditioning. Jordan was spotted trying to take photos and salsa at the same time.

At the end of the salsa cardio class, Jordan had a brief opportunity to talk to the aerobithon participants before they started the kickboxing class.

"I appreciate you all being here this morning," said Jordan. "Your participation in Red Ribbon Week



Photos by Bill Scharton

Col. Joseph Orr, left, deputy commanding general, 7th Infantry Division and Fort Carson, presents a Red Ribbon Week first place 3-on-3 basketball tourney trophy to Jeremy Lovern Thursday at the Special Events Center. Darren Love and Laurence Jackson wait to receive their awards while Russell Jordan (white shirt), Army Substance Abuse Program prevention coordinator at Fort Carson, assists with the presentations.

activities helps promote a drug free community."

Cherrie Walker was the kickboxing instructor and she used the salsa cardio class to warm-up for kickboxing. "I like the salsa class," said Walker. The sultry salsa class seemed to provide Walker and the aerobithon participants with a smooth transition to kick-

boxing.

The Special Events Center was the site for the 3-on-3 basketball tournament. Col. Joseph Orr, deputy commanding general, 7th Infantry Division and Fort

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Lisa Burkhardt played in the Red Ribbon Week 3-on-3 basketball tournament at the Special Events Center. Burkhardt played on the team that finished second in the tourney.



The sultry salsa cardio class was part of the Red Ribbon Week aerobithon that took place Saturday morning at Forrest Fitness Center.

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Carson was present at the conclusion of the tourney to hand out awards. Orr teased the players about their basketball playing abilities during the presentations and Jordan expressed his appreciation to the players for their participation and gave them a brief history of the meaning of Red Ribbon Week.

The players on the first place team in the basketball tournament were Michael Rautter, Jeremy Lovern and Ben Clayton. Players on the second place squad included Sam Morris, Robert Swift, Lisa Burkhart, Benedict San Diego and Jordan. Third place players were Darren Love, Willie Wilson and Laurence Jackson.

Red Ribbon Week is a national campaign founded in 1988 by the National Federation of Parents which is now known as National Family Partnerships. Since 1988, communities across America and military communities around the world have joined NFP in the fight against drugs. The red ribbon is a symbol of "hope" for a drug free society.

The Army's policy is zero tolerance for drug and alcohol abuse. The theme of this year's Red Ribbon Week campaign is "Healthy and Drug Free" and the motto is "Mobilizing Against Drugs." Fort Carson's Red Ribbon Week committee coordinated several events throughout the week to display the Mountain Post's commitment to a drug free community.

Red Ribbon Week concludes today with a "Say Boo to Drugs" slogan.



Photo by Bill Scharton

Southpaw Kerry Comstock placed second in the men's B division during Red Ribbon Week racquetball tournament action at Forrest Fitness Center.

Sports Briefs

Youth sports basketball registration

Registration for Fort Carson youth sport winter basketball and cheerleading is now underway and will last until Dec. 13. Registration is taking place at Building 5510 Hare Ave.

The age groups for basketball will be: 5- and 6-year-olds; 7- to 9-year-olds; 10- to 12-year-olds; 13- to 15-year-olds; and 16- to 18-year-olds. The season starts Jan. 17 and runs to March 6.

Youth participants must provide a medical statement signed by a licensed health professional that certifies the individual is physically fit to participate in the chosen sport(s) and addresses any pertinent medical condition(s) or constraints. This medical statement must be current the time of the first practice and remain valid through the completion date of the chosen sport season. These requirements are a condition of participation and no child will be authorized to play or practice until a valid physical is furnished.

Military ID cardholders can be volunteer coaches. Coaches receive training, continuing education and excess liability insurance coverage. Each coach is held accountable to a code of ethics when coaching.

For additional information, call the Fort Carson youth sports office at 526-1233 or 526-6810.

Harvest Fest

The Fort Carson Youth Services Center will have a Harvest Fest from 4 to 6 p.m. today.

The event will feature fun, games and candy. The event is for all ages.

The Youth Services Center is located a building 5950 Ware Street. For additional information, call 526-2680.

Sports Briefs Bowling League

The Fort Carson intramural sports department and Thunder Alley Bowling Center are sponsoring an intramural bowling league this fall and winter.

The sign-up deadline is close of business today. Sign-up sheets and general information can be picked up at the intramural office in the Special Events Center (building 1829). For additional information, call the intramural office at 526-6630.

Fort Carson Golf Scramble

The next Fort Carson Golf Scramble will be at noon Nov. 13 at the Fort Carson Golf Course.

The entry fee is \$25 and this includes cart, greens fees, bag lunch and prizes.

The scramble is open to all military, spouses and Department of Defense employees. To pre-register a team, call 526-4122.

Volksmarch event

The Falcon Wanderers Volksmarch Club of Colorado Springs will be sponsoring a five-kilometer and a 10-kilometer volksmarch (non-competitive walking) event Nov. 15. The start/finish for the event is Village at Skyline, 2365 Patriot Heights in Colorado Springs.

Participants may start this event any time between 8:30 a.m. and noon. The event is free and open to the public. All participants under the age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult.

For additional information, call 392-1834.

Eagles' Hutchins ready to go

by Bill Scharton
Mountaineer staff

Terrance Hutchins fractured his tibia bone last July in a playground pickup basketball game.

The injury prevented him from playing football this fall for the Carson Middle School Eagles eighth-grade team.

But it is now basketball season and Hutchins is ready to go. He is yearning for some competition and will get it Monday when the Eagles begin the season at Horizon Middle School.

Hutchins will be the starting point guard for the Eagles eighth-grade boys basketball team, a position that requires leadership on the court. He also expects to be a leader off the court and so does his coach Greg Williams.

"I try to encourage the others to practice hard and to be disciplined both on and off the court," said Hutchins.

During the pre-season workouts, coach Williams has been impressed with the leadership qualities demonstrated by Hutchins.

"As starting point guard, Terrance will direct the offense," said Williams. "He is smart and is a good leader, so I expect him to be really good at this position."

"I'm also not worried about any academic eligibility problems and I expect Terrance to be a leader in this area as well."

Hutchins ran the Eagles offense from the point guard position on the seventh-grade squad last year. This direction led to an 8-1 record and a league



Photo by Bill Scharton

Carson Middle School Eagles eighth-grade boys basketball team point guard Terrance Hutchins flashes some fancy moves during practice earlier this week. Hutchins will run the offense for the Eagles when they begin the season Monday at Horizon Middle School.

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Brothers train for Olympic Boxing Team

by **Bill Scharton**
Mountaineer staff

Army World Class Athlete Program boxers and brothers Edward and Clarence Joseph have experienced a good year inside the ring. They are now working to make 2004 an even better year.

Both boxers earned a spot in the 2004 U.S. Olympic Team Trials by winning national titles at two different tournaments during 2003 boxing action.

Last June in Las Vegas, Clarence earned his shot at making the 2004 Olympic Boxing Team by winning the 165-pound crown at the national Golden Gloves championships. Edward earned his 2004 Olympic Boxing Team Trials berth by capturing the 152-pound title at the National Police Athletic League Boxing Championships in September in Toledo, Ohio.

Edward (25-years-old) is four years older than Clarence. They grew up in St. Croix, Virgin Islands and they have four brothers (Christian, 30; Robert, 23; Austin, 22; Livingstone, 19) and one sister (Elizabeth, 31). Robert is also in the Army, but he is not a boxer. The other three brothers are not in the Army but they are boxers in

New York City.

Edward and Clarence received childhood boxing lessons from their father Rudolph before moving to New York City with their father and mother (Phylis) six years ago.

After arriving in New York City, Edward and Joseph started training at the West Side Gym because their father knew the gym's head boxing trainer Artie Colon. Following a brief stint at the West Side Gym and following consultation with their father, the brothers decided to enlist in the Army.

"We wanted to continue boxing while in the Army," said Clarence. "At the time, we knew about the All-Army boxing team but we did not know about the Army's WCAP."

The brothers attended their first All-Army Boxing Trial Camp in 2002 at Fort Huachuca, Ariz.

Their performances impressed the coaches and they became members of the WCAP boxing team.

Since becoming a part of WCAP, their progress has been steady and their national titles this year has proven this to be true according to Army WCAP head boxing coach Basheer Abdullah.

"The Joseph brothers have been working very hard," said Abdullah. Clarence has always had a good work

ethic and this really paid off for him this year.

"Edward really picked up the pace and worked hard this summer and it resulted in a PAL national title for him.

"If they continue to work hard, they will be competitive in the Olympic Trials. They will have as good a shot as anybody at making the Olympic Team."

The brothers like the fact that the stress of qualifying for the Olympic Trials is gone. "It makes you more comfortable in your mind knowing that you have already qualified," said Clarence.

"However, the bigger stress of

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Photo by Bill Scharton

Brothers Edward, left, and Clarence Joseph do a little sparring at the World Class Athlete Program boxing facility. Both brothers have qualified for the 2004 Olympic Boxing Trials.

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making the Olympic Team is yet to come.”

Making the 2004 Olympic Boxing Team is the next big objective for the Joseph brothers. The 2004 Olympic Boxing Team Trials are slated for February in Tunica, Miss.

All-Army Boxing Trial Camp

The All-Army Boxing Trial Camp got started this week at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., and will run through Nov. 18. The All-Army boxing team will return to Fort Carson Nov. 19 and will train here at the Mountain Post before heading to the Armed Forces Championships Dec. 6 to 12 at Camp Lejeune, N.C.

The All-Army Boxing Trial Camp is being run by Army WCAP head boxing coach Basheer Abdullah and his assistant coaches. Earlier this month, it was announced that Abdullah will be the head coach for the 2004 Olympic Boxing Team.

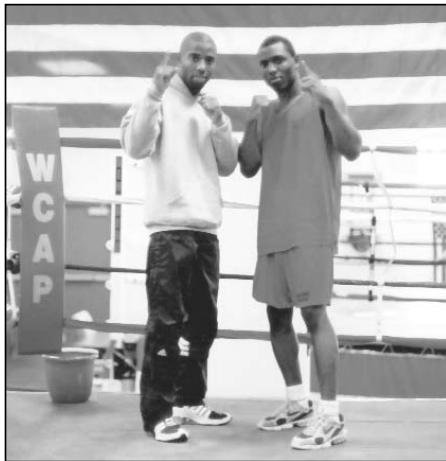


Photo by Bill Scharton

Army World Class Athlete Program boxing team members and brothers Edward, left, and Clarence Joseph both qualified this year for the 2004 Olympic Boxing Trials by winning national Police Athletic League and Golden Gloves titles respectively.

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championship.

Hutchins expects no less from the Eagles eighth-grade team this year. “I expect to win the eighth-grade championship,” said Hutchins. “We will be shooting for an undefeated season.”

The Eagles seventh-grade game at Horizon Monday will tip-off at 3:30 p.m. This will be followed immediately by the eighth-grade contest. The home-opener for both teams will be Wednesday (same starting times) against Canon City.

2003 Schedule

Nov. 3 at Horizon

Nov. 5 Canon City

Nov. 10 Penrose

Nov. 12 at Manitou Springs

Nov. 17 Woodland Park

Nov. 19 at TCA

Nov. 24 at CSCS

Dec. 1 Florence

Dec. 3 Ellicott

Dec. 8 Playoff (8th grade only)

Bold indicates division games

Academy draws visitors



The Cadet Chapel at the Air Force Academy is the most visited building at the Air Force Academy.

Story and photos
by Nel Lampe
Mountaineer staff

The Air Force Academy, about 20 miles north of Colorado

Springs, is one of the most popular destinations for tourists in Colorado. From Fort Carson, it's about 30 minutes from college-level sports venues, scenic views, a unique chapel, a planetarium show, Broadway shows, a first-class college campus, military formations and airplanes on display.

The Air Force Academy was established north of Colorado Springs in 1955 as the service academy after the Air Force after it was established as a separate service in September 1947.

Retired Army Lt. Gen. Hubert R. Harmon was recalled from retirement to serve as the Academy's superintendent. The Academy's administration building is named Harmon Hall, after the first superintendent.

Retired Army Gen. Henry "Hap" Arnold was called back from retirement to head the newly created Air Force. A building at the academy was named



Visitors gather at the Cadet Chapel to watch cadets gather for noon formation.

Arnold Hall. It serves as a social center and contains a ballroom and large theater and a snack bar area.

The dining hall was named after Army Gen. William Mitchell, an Army aviation pioneer.

During the construction phase, Lowry Air Force Base in Denver was designated to serve as the temporary

Air Force Academy. For three years the new cadets trained and attended classes at the Denver base. Active duty officers served the role of upperclassmen to the newly arrived Doolies, as freshmen are called. The 18,000-acre campus was completed in three years. The first class spent its senior year on the new campus, graduating in June 1959 with 207 graduates.

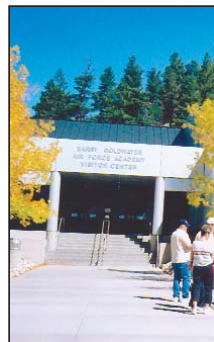
The new, modern-looking service school doesn't look like its counterparts in the Army and Navy — it's not centuries old stone, brick and ivy New England-style architecture.

Instead, the Air Force Academy campus bears a sleek, modern, aerodynamic look with its silver-colored buildings, dark glass windows and aluminum multi-spined chapel.

Although security restrictions have been tightened in the past two years, anyone with Department of Defense registration decals on their vehicles can enter the Academy. Visitors, including those with military ID cards are allowed at the visitor center, cadet



A glider once used at the Air Force Academy, top, and a T-38 trainer fuselage are displayed in the visitor center.



Places to see in the Pikes Peak area.

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Academy

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chapel, field house and Arnold Hall.

The visitor center and the Cadet Chapel are the most visited sites on the Academy. The best place for visitors to start is the visitor center. Watch the 14-minute film about the Academy in the theater, shown every half hour. Look at the displays which chronicle the history of the Air Force Academy, the skill of falconry, cadet life and Olympic athlete graduates.

The visitor center also houses a sandwich shop, restrooms and a very extensive gift shop.

The gift shop has a huge selection of Air Force and Air Force Academy memorabilia, such as sweatshirts, T-shirts, caps, statuettes, books, games, model aircraft, helmets, flags, key rings, blankets and magnets. People with a military ID can receive a 10 percent discount on items purchased in the gift shop. The visitor center is open every day of the year — except Thanksgiving, Christmas and New Years — from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Employees on duty can answer questions. Pick up an Academy map to continue your tour.

Near the visitor center is a 1/3 mile-long nature trail that leads to the Cadet Chapel. Some parts of the trail are rather steep.

Visitors may leave their cars at the visitor center while taking the nature trail. to the chapel and the cadet area.

Those who choose not to walk to the chapel may drive to the cadet area, keeping in mind that parking is scarce and it'll probably be a long walk to the chapel.

Many visitors time their visit to be at the Cadet Chapel in time to watch the lunchtime formation of the cadet wing at 11:35 on weekdays.

The unique, multi-spired chapel is open to visitors from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m., Monday through Saturday, although it is often closed Saturdays for private services. The Cadet Chapel houses a Protestant Chapel, a Catholic Chapel and a Jewish Chapel.

Also in the cadet area is a planetarium which serves as a classroom for astronomy, physics and navigation. There is a public planetarium presentation open to military ID card holders at 7 p.m. the third Friday of every month.

Arnold Hall serves as the cadet social center and houses a ballroom and theater.

The building's lobby contains historic displays about Prisoners of War, Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Gen. Jimmy Doolittle's raiders, Women in the Air Force, Tuskegee Airmen and Air Force Academy graduates in space programs.

The Academy hosts a concert season of Broadway road shows, music groups, dance groups or comedians. Tickets to the Academy Concert Season are available to the public. Ticket prices usually begin at \$15 to \$20 and can be purchased by calling the box office at 333-4497. Upcoming concerts are "Seussical the Musical" Saturday, "A Christmas Carol" Dec. 13, "Dallas Brass" Jan. 30 and "Sing-A-Long Wizard of Oz" Feb. 20. Box office personnel recommend that ticket-holders arrive early as parking is extremely limited. For some events, additional parking is designated at the field house or visitor center and shuttle buses are provided. Inquire about parking with the box office.

One of the benefits to living near the Academy is the opportunity to see major college athletic competitions within a short drive. Almost 30 varsity and several junior varsity intercollegiate Air Force teams compete on a national level and many of the games are free admission. Several sporting events — such as football, basketball, volleyball and hockey — have admission fees. Tickets for those contests are sold through the Academy's Athletic Association. Season tickets are available. Call 472-1895 for information about tickets and sports schedules or go online to AirForceOCSN.com/ind-main, or go to USAF@AF.mil, then go to the Sports link.

The Air Force Academy Falcon Football season is presently under way. The Falcons were undefeated until the team lost to Navy last month. A loss to Colorado State University Oct. 16 gave them a 5-2 record. Remaining home games are with Utah Saturday and U. S. Military Academy Nov. 8. Tickets to the Army game are also sold at Information, Tickets and Registration on post. Because of security restrictions, it is advised to get an early start for football games.

As the Air Force Academy is also an Air



The Honor Court, near Arnold Hall, displays statues, aircraft sculptures, trees and benches. The cadet chapel is in the background.



Arnold Hall, named for Gen. Hap Arnold, serves as the cadet activity center.

Force base, amenities such as a base exchange, commissary, hospital, hobby shops and fast food restaurants are about what you'd expect. Entrance to parts of the base other than the visitor center and cadet area requires DOD stickers and military ID cards.

To tour the Academy, take the north gate. Exit 156B off Interstate 25. Follow the road west about four miles, past two visitor overlooks and the soccer fields. The road makes a left turn and Northgate Boulevard becomes Academy Drive. Go past the road that leads to the chapel and cadet area, taking the next left to the visitor center. The North Gate is about 25 miles north of Fort Carson.

Just the Facts

- **Travel time** 30 minutes
- **For ages** all
- **Type** service academy
- **Fun factor** ★★★★★ (Out of 5 stars)
- **Wallet damage** \$ (entry)
 - \$ = Less than \$20
 - \$\$ = \$21 to \$40
 - (Based on a family of four)



Air Force members pause during lunch hour at the Prisoner of War and Eisenhower exhibits in Arnold Hall.



Thunderbird Airmanship Overlook, near the south gate, overlooks the airfield. An Air Force Thunderbird aircraft is in front; an A-10 aircraft is in the background.

Get Out!

Free concert

The U.S. Army Field Band and Soldiers' Chorus presents a free concert Sunday at 3 p.m. in Palmer High School auditorium. Tickets are required and have been distributed; however, if seats are still available at 3 p.m., patrons in line may be seated.

Seussical the Musical

"Seussical the Musical," is Saturday at 7 p.m. in Arnold Hall theater at the Air Force Academy. Tickets for adults begin at \$15, and children under 12 are \$10. Call 333-4497 for tickets.

"A Christmas Carol" is Dec. 13 at 7:30 p.m. at Arnold Hall Theater. Tickets start at \$15. Call the box office at 333-4497.

Academy football

The Air Force Academy Falcons take on the West Point Knights Saturday at Falcon Stadium. See about tickets at Information, Tickets and Registration and join the pep rally at 7 p.m. today at Xtremes and the tail gate party Saturday in Parking Lot 2A..

Pikes Peak Center

Michael Martin Murphey's "Cowboy Christmas" is set for Dec. 5, 8 p.m.

Moscow Ballet's Great Russian Nutcracker and San Diego Ballet Nutcracker are both scheduled for November.

Brian Setzer Orchestra "Christmas Extravaganza" is Dec. 9.

Call Ticketmaster, 520-9090 for tickets.

Buell Children's Museum

Called "Handprints Around the World," hands-on activities help children learn about customs, language and clothing of seven continents. Admission to the Buell Children's Museum at 210 N. Santa Fe Ave., is \$4 for adults and \$3 for children. Admission includes entry to the Arts Center and White Galleries. Take Interstate 25 south to Pueblo, Exit 98B.

Bear in a blue house

"Bear in the Big Blue House Live!" is scheduled

for the Pikes Peak Center Thursday to Nov. 9. Shows Thursday and Nov. 7 are at 7 p.m. and there are daytime shows as well. Call 520-9090 for tickets, which begin at \$13.50.

Art exhibition openings

The Fine Arts Center has four new exhibits featuring well known Western artists, photographs of the early West; tourism and marketing; and a final exhibit of prints by Gene Kloss. To see the exhibits, go to the Fine Arts Center at 30 W. Dale St. Hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays through Saturdays, and 1 to 5 p.m. Sundays. The center is free on Saturdays; other days, admission is \$2 to \$5.

Art show

The Denver Art Museum has one of its best ever special exhibits: "El Greco to Picasso," through Jan. 4. The art features artists Picasso, van Gogh, Monet, Renoir and Degas. Special admission is \$14.75 for adults, \$11.75 for students and \$6 for youths 6 to 18. Tickets include general admission to the museum. Exhibition hours will be 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Tuesdays, Saturdays and Sundays, and from 10 a.m. to 9 p.m. Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. The museum is closed Mondays. The museum is on 13th Avenue in downtown Denver. Go online at www.denverartmuseum.org or call (720) 865-2000.

Pikes Peak theater

"Lend Me a Tenor" is the Pikes Peak Masquers Theatre Troupe's production Nov. 19 to Dec. 3. Times vary, call 540-7418 for times and reservations. The comedy is at PPCC Main Stage Theater, 5675 S. Academy Blvd. Tickets are \$10 for general admission, \$7 for military and \$5 for students.

Dinosaurs

Dinosaur World Tour is at Denver's Pepsi Center through Nov. 16, Sundays through Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m., and weekends until 9 p.m. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$7 for children to see museum-quality fossils, interactive exhibits and life-size animatronics. Call (303) 830-TIXS or www.ticketmaster.com or www.dinosaurworldtour.com.

Military Appreciation at JoyRides

Today is the last day for active military,

Reservists, National Guard and retired military personnel to ride and golf for free during October. Show a current military ID and receive a three-hour, all-access wristband free.

Broadway shows

Tickets are on sale for Pikes Peak Center's Broadway series. "Cats," is Jan. 23 to 25, with tickets starting at \$29. "Fame," is Feb. 17 and 18, and tickets start at \$26.50. "Rent," is set for March 16 and 17, and tickets begin at \$31.50. Call 520-SHOW or 520-9090 for tickets.

Veterans Day Parade

The annual Veterans Day Parade begins at 9:30 a.m. Nov. 8, in downtown Colorado Springs.

Children's theater

Missoula Children's Theatre production of "Tales of Hans Christian Andersen," is in Sangre de Cristo Arts Center, 2100 N. Santa Fe Ave. in Pueblo Nov. 8 at 7:30 p.m. and Nov. 9 at 11 a.m. and 2 p.m. Tickets are \$6; call (719) 295-7222.

Pueblo Symphony

The Pueblo Symphony's second concert is Nov. 8 at 7:30 p.m. in Hoag Recital Hall on the Colorado State University-Pueblo. The concert features Dickran Aramian, a pianist. Tickets are \$20 and \$25. Call the symphony box office at (719) 545-7967.

Denver concerts

Shania Twain is playing the Pepsi Center Dec. 1. Tickets begin at \$2; call 520-9090.

Bill Engvall is as the Paramount Theatre Nov. 21 in Denver. Call Ticketmaster, 520-9090 for tickets.

Big Head Todd and the Monsters will be in the Fillmore Auditorium New Year's Eve. Check with Ticketmaster, 520-9090 for tickets..

Upcoming concerts

Colorado Springs World Arena is selling tickets for upcoming events. "Matchbox Twenty" is Nov. 14 at 7:30 p.m. "Bill Gauthier" is Nov. 21 at 7 p.m.; "Trans-Siberian Orchestra" Nov. 22, at 7 p.m., "Charlie Brown and Friends" is Nov. 30 at 7 p.m. and "Christmas from the Heart" is Dec. 3 at 7:30 p.m. Ice Skating World Finals are set for Dec. 12 to 14. Call 576-2626 for tickets to any event.



Photo by Nel Lampe

Fine Arts Center ...
New exhibits about the West including art, early photographs; tourism and marketing; and Gene Kloss prints are in the Fine Arts Center at 30 W. Dale St. The center is free to the public on Saturdays; admission is charged on other days. The Fine Arts Center is closed Mondays.



Program schedule for Fort Carson cable Channel 10, today to Nov. 7.

Special program from ACS: Operation Ready: Making Your Reunion Work. Airls at 7 a.m., noon, 7 p.m. and midnight.

Army Newswatch: includes stories on the Association of the U.S. Army conference and the Army Ten-Miler (repeat). Airls at 7:30 a.m., 12:30 p.m., 7:30 p.m. and 12:30 a.m.

Navy/Marine Corps News: includes stories on Camp Babylon, Iraq, the Special Boat Team Twelve and the National Museum of the Marine Corps. Airls at 8 a.m., 1 p.m., 8 p.m. and 1 a.m.

Air Force News: includes stories on Defender Challenge, an Air Force fencer and recruiting. Airls at 8:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m., 8:30 p.m. and 1:30

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Channel 9 daily broadcasts SCOLA, foreign language news broadcasts. Access the schedule at the Fort Carson Web site.

If you have comments on Channel 10 programming or wish to coordinate a broadcast on Channel 10, please contact Chief of Command Information at 526-1241 or via e-mail at CommandInfo@carson.army.mil.

Program times will be published in the *Mountaineer* provided coordination is made one week prior to publication.

If you wish to have a training videotape shown on Channel 9 only, contact the Regional Training Support Center at 526-5111.

For additions to the Community Calendar, please submit an e-mail or clean, typewritten copy of the information to the Public Affairs Office, room 2180, 6151 Specker Ave., Fort Carson, CO 80913 or fax information to 526-1021 no later than the Friday before airing time.